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Mr. Guy Marshal
Columbia Castings
10425 N. Bloss Avenue
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Dear Mr. Marshal:

Per your conversation with John J. Roland of our office on December 4, 1990, this letter is to confirm our visit to Columbia Castings/Joslyn Sludge Pond located at 10425 N. Bloss Avenue, Portland, Oregon, on December 12, 1990, at 0900 hours.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 10 and the State of Oregon identified Columbia Castings/Joslyn Sludge Pond during preliminary assessment screening as a site which requires additional information to accurately profile the nature and extent of past waste disposal activity.

The EPA has been given authority under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980, as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986 (42 U.S.C. § 6901 et seq.; Sec. 104), to gain access to sites where hazardous substances may have been generated, stored, treated, disposed, or transported. Ecology and Environment, Inc. (E & E) is an authorized contractor of EPA (Contract No. 68-01-7347) (CERCLA; Sec. 115) and is acting on their behalf as field investigators.

Columbia Castings/Joslyn Sludge Pond site will be inspected to determine the impact or potential impact on the environment of any hazardous substances which may exist in an uncontrolled manner at the facility. The field investigators will:

- o Meet the site owner or representative on the date and time specified above;
- o Interview the site owner or representative to confirm existing information (i.e., address, total area, etc.);
- o Perform a site walk-through and visual inspection with the site owner or representative;
- o Take photographs of the site;

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- o Collect all pertinent information (see attached checklist) including manifests, site maps, etc. from the site owner or representative: and
- o At a later date if necessary, collect environmental samples on, and in the vicinity of, your site.

The inspection findings will be documented in a report which provides a basis for EPA to determine if any further action is required at the site. The completed report will be made available to you through the EPA.

The inspection process can be expedited if you will provide the information outlined in the checklist provided.

Your company may assert a claim of confidentiality for any information entitled to protection under 40 CFR, Part 2, Subpart B by designating data you believe is entitled to such protection and submitting that data separately.

I expect that a representative of the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) will participate in the inspection. If you have any questions regarding our site visit, please contact John J. Roland or me at 206/624-9537. Please contact William Glasser, USEPA, at 206/442-7215 if you have questions regarding the purpose of this inspection.

Sincerely yours,



Andrew Hafferty
Field Investigation Team Manager

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Enclosure

cc: William Glasser, HWD-SM, USEPA, Region 10
John Osborn, ESD-PO, USEPA, Region 10
John J. Roland, E & E, Seattle

SITE INSPECTION INFORMATION CHECKLIST

This outline identifies some of the items needed to complete our site investigation for EPA. To expedite the site walk-through and interview process, it will be helpful if you have the following information compiled prior to our visit.

1. General

- o Site Name
- o Street Address
- o Phone #
- o Name of parent company, if any
- o Previous property/facility owners
 - Names
 - Addresses
 - Years of ownership
- o Total area of site (in acres)
- o Description of site security, if any (i.e, fenced, patrolled, etc.)
- o Description of land uses immediately surrounding the site boundaries
- o Water supply source(s)

2. Site Map with the Following Items Identified

- o Waste storage/disposal areas (buildings, ponds, piles, etc.)
- o Well locations (production wells, monitoring wells, abandoned wells)
- o Site entrance locations
- o Building names and their general functions
- o Outside process areas
- o Storage tanks (above and below ground, size, contents)
- o Waste treatment systems (if present)

3. Waste Summary

- o Waste types generated or stored on site (e.g., sludge, solvents, pesticides, acids, bases, etc.)
- o Chemical constituents of each waste (if known)
- o Feedstocks containing hazardous materials
- o Type of storage and/or final disposition (i.e., landfilled on site, transported from site by recycling firm, etc.)
- o Volumes of each waste type generated annually and total volume present on site
- o Description of any waste treatment systems (i.e., flocculation/filtration, incinerators, chemical/physical treatment, volume reduction, etc.)

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- o Description of waste storage/disposal areas, including:
 - Size, type of storage (i.e., 15-acre landfill, 200,000 cubic yards, 500-gallon steel underground storage tank, etc.)
 - Description of containers (i.e., unlined pond, landfill with 40 mL PVC liner)
 - Names of waste transporters/recyclers, and the time period they have been used
- 4. List of Permits, including permit #, date of issue, and expiration date (i.e., NPDES, UIC, air, RCRA, RCRA Interim Status, SPCC Plan, state, local, etc.)
- 5. Past/Present Sampling/Monitoring Activities:
 - o Summary of sampling/monitoring programs
 - o Analytical Results of Sampling
 - o Hydrogeological studies prepared for the site